HOUSE No. 1666

By Mr. O'Flaherty of Chelsea, petition of Eugene L. O'Flaherty for legislation to regulate the use of utility poles. Telecommunications, Utilities and Energy.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

In the Year Two Thousand and Five.

AN ACT RELATIVE TO UTILITY POLE ATTACHMENTS.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:

- 1 Section 25A of chapter 166 of the General Laws is hereby
- 2 amended by striking the definition of "utility" and inserting in
- 3 place thereof the following:—
- 4 "Utility", means any electric, gas, water, steam or other public
- 5 utility or any municipal lighting plant that owns or controls or
- 6 shares with another utility ownership or control of poles, ducts,
- 7 conduits or rights of way used or useful, in whole or in part, for
- 8 supporting or enclosing wire or cables for the transmission of
- 9 intelligence by telegraph, telephone or television or for the trans-
- 10 mission of electricity for light, heat or power.